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## AFTER "CONGRESSMAN" JIM.

The editor of the West Palm Beach Sun, which is by the way one of the best weekly newspapers in the state, appears to "have it in" for Attorney James E. Alexander, who is a candidate for congress. In a recent issue the Sun says:

James Alexander, the erstwhile secretary for United States Senator Call, has for many years been afflicted with various kinds of political buzzings in his ear, and he now thinks he is in a fair way to butt against congress. Jim, who by the way, is not altogether a bad fellow, was in Palatka the other day, and gave out an interview to a newspaper in that town. Now if there is anything on God's green earth that Jim likes better than any other thing it is to "be interviewed," and he has the art down to a fine point. Knowing that Palatka is still in these hopes of twenty years ago, Jim told them that when he went to Congress that the big ships from New York would pass right through Jacksonville without even blowing a salute, and would land their cargoes at the foot of Lemon street in Alaska. He told the Palatka negroes that when he went to Congress all negroes would be furnished with a medical preparation that would take the kinks from their hair, and that every man who voted for him would be put on the government pay roll and draw a fat salary the remainder of his natural life. Mosquitoes would cease to bite, and hysanths would disappear from the St. Johns river; that money would grow on the giant live oaks, and the Putnam House would again be filled with tourists; that the state capitol would be removed to the Gem City of the St. Johns, and would soon be followed by the location there of the South Atlantic Squadron. Jim told many other things that would come to pass with his induction into office, and they doubtless will when—Jim Alex. goes to congress.

Orders have been issued providing that the original Declaration of Independence shall be permanently deposited in a fire-proof vault, with the light excluded, in order to prevent further fading. Nearly all of the signatures and a part of the text are now illegible. It is really too bad that this order was not issued thirty to fifty years ago, before our independence had faded so materially. That old Declaration is a true history of the United States: The Independence, the patriotism, the fearlessness of its signers was represented by the pure ink and paper used; the strength of the country's youth and the early purity of its politics was symbolized by the clearness, conciseness of the Declaration; then one by one, as the original signers died and faded, more or less, from the memory and from the traditions of the "fond delusions" of the strenuous United States, their names have faded from the Declaration and even the principles for which they stood have sickened and faded as have their names. Jefferson and Washington are today remembered, but how many of the others who signed the Declaration can you remember? Why would it not be a good idea to have Hanna, Quay, Platt, Hill, Mason, Odell, Clark, Bryan and a few others write us a new Declaration—and don't let them forget to put in it something about the trusts.

The acreage in cotton in Suwannee county this season is a considerable increase over the acreage of last year. Volusia county lands are suitable for the growing of long staple cotton, but very little is produced here. Twenty years ago

The state press appears to be unanimous in favoring the election of Col. Robert W. Davis as governor next year. The state press nearly always represents public sentiment throughout the state. Of course, so far there are no other announced candidates, and with some it may be that Colonel Davis is "Hobson's choice."

Congressman James D. Richardson of Tennessee, the Democratic leader, announces that he will not be a candidate for re-election. Mr. Richardson is a 33rd degree Mason, and at the head of Scottish Rite Masonry in this country. He will devote his entire time to Masonry in the future.

In the interest of purity, it is to be hoped that the fathers and mothers of DeLand do not allow their children to read the Stetson organ. If they do many an innocent child will be ruined. The paper is not fit to be taken into any DeLand home that we know of.

Sunday will be the second anniversary of the Jacksonville fire. The strides this city has made the past two years are indeed phenomenal.

Candidates are already announcing themselves for office in Hillsboro county. The election does not take place till November, 1904. But Tampa is always found in the front rank.

Andrew Carnegie has contributed \$600,000 in bonds for the endowment of Brookers Washington's institute at Tuskegee, Ala. This is probably the largest amount ever given to a negro college.

Hon. J. M. Barrs of Jacksonville and Hon. J. E. Alexander of DeLand, are the two most talked of candidates for Congress to succeed Hon. R. W. Davis, who refuses to be a candidate again. Barrs and Alexander are both good men and prominent lawyers, and there are poorer representatives in Congress than either of them would be.—Gainesville Star.

## LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE.

### Railroad Fares.

ARCADIA, FLA., April 24 1903.  
EDITOR NEWS: I note in your excellent paper that the Railroad Commission has ordered the L. & N. road to reduce the passenger fares to 3c per mile May 1. What is the matter with the Atlantic Coast Line doing the same thing? From Lakeland to Punta Gorda the fare is 4c per mile; but to Jacksonville it is 3c. Does competition settle the rate for A. C. L., and the commission for L. & N.?  
W. D. TURNLY.

### Philanthropy Cuts No Ice.

Commenting on THE NEWS' article about the price of ice in Orlando, the Star of that city says: "Philanthropy doesn't enter into the ice business. It's a matter of money making. 'Philanthropy' didn't bring the competition to Orlando that cheapened the price. That also is a pure matter of business. 'Philanthropy' never did cheapen an article of manufacture. Competition always has. Philanthropic economics, whether worked on the religious or socialistic plan, are mere soap bubbles in the air. 'Philanthropy' is all right, but business is business and if you want cheap ice get another factory."

### Larson-Morrison.

Mr. Victor Larson and Miss Helen Morrison were quietly married at the parsonage of the M. E. church Tuesday morning, Rev. Addyman Smith performing the ceremony. The happy bride and groom immediately left for Trenton, N. J., where they will make their future home. Mr. Larson having accepted a lucrative position there. The NEWS extends congratulations. Victor Larson is an industrious, hard working young man, and will ever fight the wolf from the door of his household.

### Engineer McDonald Resigns.

R. D. MacDonald has notified the chairman of the Fire and Water committee of the City Council that his contract with the city, as engineer at the water works, expires on May 1 (to-day), and that he will not continue to perform the duties for less than \$1,000 per year. The council has placed the salary of this office at \$900 per year. The chairman of the committee has employed Scott Hodgkins as temporary engineer and he took charge of the plant to-day. A permanent engineer will be elected at the next meeting the next meeting of the council. There are quite a number of applicants for the position.

## News Notes

### From University

THE wood-working machinery in Science Hall has now been placed in position and the connections made with the power house. The students are working on the lathes and are turning out some very nice articles.

The Stetson Juniors played a game of ball with the town students on Monday and were beaten by a score of nine to six. Curry and Campbell were the battery for the Juniors; Grisard and Woodward for the town students.

Miss Edith Searle left today for Daytona, where she will spend Saturday and Sunday with Miss Elizabeth Silvernail.

Professors Smith, Paine and Baldwin spent last Saturday at Lake Daugherty fishing. That is to say, they went out supposedly for that purpose, but people who saw them say that most of the day was spent on shore near the lunch basket. The number of fish caught—three—supports this theory.

Mr. Ray Johnson, who was forced by the death of his sister-in-law to return home before the exams last term, did not return to Chicago this quarter, but expects to re-enter in May.

Mr. Willis Blackman, who spent last winter in Stetson, is to be married soon to a young lady in Chicago.

Misses Emery, Galpin, Pearl and Ruby Spaulding, Mrs. Spangler and Mr. Ray Brown leave tomorrow morning for Daytona, where they will give an entertainment that evening.

Mrs. Cochran, mother of Miss Catherine Cochran, died suddenly at her home in St. Augustine this week.

Lost—A pair of feet, in or near East Hall. Return to Ray S. Brown, Room 24, Stetson Hall.

From the Chemistry Department—A jolly young chemistry tough, While making some compounded stuff, Dropped a match in the vial

And after a while They found his front teeth and a cuff.

Mrs. J. A. Smith's mother and sister are visiting Dean and Mrs. Smith at their plantation east of town.

Dean Sears—"Mr. Benedict, have you been smoking in your room?"

"Yes, sir, but the mosquitoes were so bad in here that I had to drive them out." (This settles the problem that scientists have been working upon for some time; namely: to find the purpose for which mosquitoes were created.)

A number of the young men now have a table to themselves in the dining room. They claimed that the presence of the young ladies so embarrassed them that they could not get enough to eat.

Mr. J. Claude Reed has been confined to his room for the past few days with a bad attack of poisoning, caused by contact with poison oak.

The Apollo Glee Club will give a concert in the Auditorium May 14th.

Miss Lawrence will entertain the soloists of the Rose Maiden cantata at her home on Michigan avenue this evening.

A party of young people from the University spent Saturday at DeLeon Springs. They were chaperoned by Mr. Fred Fee.

Invitations have been received for the marriage of Miss Narcissa Cox of Chicago who spent part of last term in Stetson, to Mr. Vanderlip of Washington.

The case of State vs. Pounds, assault with intent to kill, will come up in the moot court next week. Mr. McKinney will represent the State and Messrs. Calmes and Lenfesty the defendant.

### THE NEOGA FIRE.

Mill Was Burned Completely—Will Be Rebuilt.

The fire at the Bond & Bond sawmill at Neoga last Thursday morning destroyed the entire mill and about 400,000 feet of lumber ready for shipment. It is thought that the fire started from the refuse fire, adjacent to the mill; that the strong wind blew the sparks into the mill and they ignited the fine dust, or powder, on the floors. Two watchmen were employed at the mill, one on the upper and one on the lower floor. They state that the entire mill was enveloped in flames immediately after the first little blaze appeared. This can be understood when one considers the fine dust around a sawmill and then the extreme dry weather we are now having. The mill, drying kilns and nearly a half million feet of lumber and several freight cars standing ready on the switch, were burned. The fire was a "clean" one—not even the ashes being left. They blew away in the current of air created by the fire. The iron and steel of the machinery are welded or fused by the terrific heat. The only part of the machinery left is the fine boilers. These were in a brick building on the windward side and the wind drove the flames from them. The boilers are in excellent condition, not even the glass water gage being broken.

The insurance amounted in the aggregate to \$12,500. The most of it had been placed by Silas B. Wright, and the rest by a Daytona firm. The mill will be rebuilt at once. New machinery has already been ordered, and some of it is now on the way. The company has large lumber orders booked; these are being filled in a measure by the mill at Glenwood.

Mr. J. B. Conrad was in Key West at the time of the fire. From there he went to Havana, and did not know of the fire until returning to Florida the first of the week. Mr. Bond refused to cable him because he "didn't want to spoil Jake's fun."

## Orange City

Orange City, April 29.—Major Kingman of Palmetto Cottage got up a picnic Thursday, to go to DeLeon Springs. There were eight in the party. They had a fine time.

D. P. Graves and Mrs. Fred Finney left Friday for Eau Claire, Wis. Mr. Finney and Mrs. S. C. Fuller accompanied them as far as New Smyrna.

We are glad to say Mrs. John Graham, who has been quite ill for the past two weeks, is much improved.

Mr. John White and Dr. F. R. Skinner drove to DeLand Thursday.

Mrs. W. D. Heebner is much improved from her recent illness.

Mr. and Mrs. Chisholm moved into their own home last week.

Miss Alma Halliday made a visit to Enterprise Saturday.

Mr. Wm. D. Heebner is building a large barn, carriage house, packing house and fertilizer room, all under one roof, at his home place.

Mrs. George Knox has been spending some time at Coronado lately. Her son, Walter, who is at Stetson University, joins her on Friday evening and stays over Sunday.

Dr. F. R. Skinner, wife and niece, Miss Nellie Foster, and Miss Nellie Palmer, left Monday noon for their home in Eau Claire, Wis. Mrs. Palmer goes to a sanitarium in Larwill, Ind., for a few weeks' treatment, then will go on home.

Mr. and Mrs. Lippincott of Geneseo, Ill., came in Tuesday to pay a visit to Mrs. E. A. Hill. Mr. John White is showing them the town this Wednesday morning. They leave this noon for home.

Mrs. J. A. Haley was in town Tuesday on business.

Mr. King and Miss Drue Fawcett took in Sanford Monday morning.

Miss Celia Babcock accompanied her friends as far as Smyrna Monday and returned in the evening.

There were seven tables at our euchre club Tuesday evening. Miss Drue Fawcett and Mr. Calvin Spry won first prizes, and Mrs. Frank Taylor and Mr. Edwin French the consolations.

Mr. P. Pratt and sister, Mrs. Fletcher of Kent, Conn., Mr. Lukins and daughter, Miss Carrie Taylor of Nashua, N. H., left Monday for their homes.

We are glad to note Miss M. Dickinson is improving from her late illness.

We are having extremely cold nights and mornings here for this time of year.

Mr. Augustus Hall, who has lived a good many years in Orange City, but moved with his son to Enterprise about a year ago, has been out of health for some time. He went to Sanford Friday morning to consult his physician, and on his way home died in the cars or heart disease. His remains were taken to Beresford for burial.

Mr. King returned Friday from his two weeks vacation.

### EMPORIA.

Special Correspondence.

Emporia, April 29.—We are having some very windy weather just now. Crops are beginning to need rain.

Mrs. W. H. DeLong has been sick for the past few days.

Mrs. J. P. Felt is still improving.

Mr. J. W. Frank has been quite sick with shingles for several days. We hope he will be well in a short time.

Mr. Floyd Felt paid a flying trip to Astor Tuesday, returning with Miss Tomkins.

Mrs. T. F. Drudy has been sick for some time.

Miss Cassa Pye has been suffering with toothache for two days. Have your tooth pulled, Cassa.

Mrs. Wm. Kaighn of Eldridge gave a dinner for some of her friends Sunday.

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## Annual Convention

### Of the W. C. T. U.

ABOUT 4 o'clock p. m., on Tuesday, April 21st, four of DeLand's W. C. T. U. ladies might have been seen wending their way toward the depot. Their objective point was Kissimmee, where the State W. C. T. U. Convention was to be held. A pleasant ride of a few hours brought them to their destination, when they were escorted to the Baptist church at which the meetings were to be held. There, amid flowers and banners, the delegates to the convention were welcomed right royally by citizens of the town, the presidents of the W. C. T. U. and the "Y" branch and by one of the tiny tots of the Loyal Temperance Legion. These welcomes were cordially responded to by a delegate from Lake City, Mrs. McCormick.

Mrs. L. E. Bailey of New York was on the program for an address, but owing to the late hour she favored us only with a few breezy remarks, with promises of more during the convention. Mrs. Bailey conducted a new stand at the convention, where the ladies could obtain temperance literature, helps, books, etc.

The next morning at 9 o'clock the delegates assembled and were led in the consecration service by Rev. E. Springer Oliver, our state evangelist. Many times during the convention this earnest apostle of the cross lifted our hearts and minds heavenward by her fervor and consecration.

After the usual morning devotions the convention was called to order and formally opened by the president, Mrs. Alice C. Brown. Mrs. Brown also conducted a school of methods on the subject of Scientific Temperance Instruction, which was helpful, especially to those interested in this branch of temperance work.

After the appointment of the usual committees and the presentation of fraternal delegates and visitors, the remainder of the forenoon was spent in reports of superintendents, all of which were interesting and inspiring. At the noon hour all business stopped and during the hush of this, to us, sacred hour, we were led in prayer by the president of the Kissimmee Union. The noon-tide prayer is a feature of all W. C. T. U. conventions, national, state and county.

The president's annual address was the feature of the afternoon, and was a grand resume of the work of the past year. The victories more than balanced the defeats, and we were cheered by her hopeful and inspiring

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suggestions for the future. This address is to be printed in the Times-Union of Jacksonville. A memorial service for the "promoted" members was feelingly conducted by Rev. E. Springer Oliver, and the reports of superintendents was continued. The monotony of this routine work was broken by the enthusiastic singing of our state song and respite exercises, conducted by Mrs. Lydia J. Newcomb-Comings. These respite exercises are a welcome feature of our conventions.

The evening session was gracefully and efficiently presided over by our own Minnie E. Neal, and was a feast of good things. First, a lecture on Industrial Education, by Mrs. S. H. Comings of Tampa, and then an address on Physical Education, by Mrs. Lydia J. Newcomb Comings, which was illustrated with gymnastic exercises. Mrs. Comings charmed and edified all with her strength and grace and the pleasant way in which she made plain to us our physical duties.

Thursday morning the routine work of the convention was resumed after our usual morning devotions. During the morning respite, exercises cleared our brains and freed our bodies and we were given a treat by way of a discussion conducted by Dr. E. O. Taylor on the subject of Non-Alcoholic Medication. During this discussion we were led to see that there are many harmless substitutes for alcohol in materia medica.

In the afternoon Miss Neal presided during the election of officers. Her knowledge of parliamentary law and her executive ability made this necessary part of the program a real object lesson. The result was the election of the same officers for the ensuing year.

In the evening Dr. Taylor delighted a large audience with his celebrated lecture on Citizenship in the Light of Christ and Paul.

Friday morning was taken up with the closing business of the convention, good-byes, etc. A part of our delegates returned home Friday morning. The rest stayed to enjoy the magnificent steamer ride on Lake Tohopeuliga (sleeping tiger), to which the Kissimmee Union invited all delegates to remain.

The Kissimmee people not only welcomed us grandly, but their hospitality continued "right royal" to the end.

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